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September 14, 1989

Mr. Donald Ostler  
Director  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
288 North 1460 West  
P.O. Box 16690  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690

Dear Mr. Ostler:

Re: Proposal for Closure of Tailings Impoundment, Hecla Mining Company, Escalante  
Silver Mine, M/021/004, Iron County, Utah

Enclosed is one copy of Hecla Mining Company's plan for closure of its tailings impoundment facility, located at the Escalante Silver Mine near Enterprise, Utah.

The Division is providing this copy to you for your review and comment. If possible, please provide us with the State Health Department's comments and/or concerns, by October 16, 1989. We hope to return a written response to the operator by this date. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if this timeframe cannot be achieved.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg  
Senior Reclamation Specialist/  
Hydrologist

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cc: Gordon Staker, BLM  
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